

In the Specification:

On page 9, line 24, after "1-13.", kindly add the following sentence: --The compound curved shape of the front surface of the diffuser 70, as clearly shown in Figure 14, includes curvatures that extend in a plurality of diverse directions.--

A replacement Specification page 9 follows.

therein, which openings 43 extend through to the rear surface 45 of the device 30. As best seen in Figures 9 and 10, an absorptive device 47 is mounted on the rear surface 45 of the device 30 to absorb any sound waves that travel through the openings 43.

With reference to Figures 11-13, a "QRD®" diffusor is generally designated by the reference numeral 50 and includes a generally rectangular cubic body 51 having elongated wells 53, 54, 55, 56, 57 and 58 formed therein. As seen in Figure 12, rectangular openings 59 are formed in the wells to allow sound to travel therethrough to the rear surface of the diffusor. The openings 59 may be provided in a vertically spaced pattern in each of the wells.

In addition, small sized holes 61 may suitably be provided. As best seen in Figure 13, the rear surface 63 of the device 50 is covered by an absorbent material covering 65 designed to absorb sound waves traveling through the holes 59 and 61.

Figure 14 depicts a compound curve-shaped diffusor 70 that may be modified in accordance with the teachings of the present invention as exemplified in Figures 1-13 through the provision of any desired pattern of holes, slots or openings extending through to the rear surface thereof, which rear surface may suitably be covered by a sound absorbing material as should be understood from the teachings of the present invention as explained with reference to Figures 1-13. The compound curved shaped of the front surface of the diffusor 70, as clearly shown in Figure 14, includes

curvatures that extend in a plurality of diverse directions.

In the Claims:

Kindly find below, a reproduction of all claims pending in this application with Claims 1, 5, 7, 8 and 9 shown as amended, with Claim 6 deleted, without prejudice, and with the addition of new Claims 25-34 as follows: